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In re Patent Application of

Eberhard HILDT et al.

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

BOX SEQUENCE

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-captioned application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Kindly amend the specification as follows:

Page 8, replace the paragraph beginning at line 9, with the following rewritten
paragraph:

--Figure 1 shows the amino acid and DNA sequences (SEQ ID NOS.:1 AND 2)
of a cell permeability-mediating polypeptide according to the
invention (CPP).--

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Page 8, replace the paragraph beginning at line 17, with the following rewritten paragraph:

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--**Figure 3** (SEQ ID NOS.: 3-10) shows the conservation of the amino acid sequence between various HBV subtypes as well as the hydropathy profile.--

Page 8, replace the paragraph beginning at line 20, with the following rewritten paragraph:

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--**Figure 4** (SEQ ID NOS.:11-16) shows amphiphilic motives in the PreS region of various avian hepadnaviruses.--

Page 8, replace the paragraph beginning at line 22, with the following rewritten paragraph:

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Figure 5 (SEQ ID NOS.:17-20) shows amphiphilic motives in the PreS2 region of various hepadnaviruses of rodents.--